

20. (New) The instrument of claim 19, wherein the control means comprises a catalyst which is capable of converting an interfering substance in the sample solution to a harmless substance having no adverse effect on a measurement result of the specific component obtained by analysis with the biosensor.

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P2 21. (New) The instrument of claim 20, wherein the catalyst is at least one enzyme.

22. (New) The instrument of claim 19, wherein the control means comprises an adsorbent which is capable of adsorbing and removing an interfering substance from the sample solution.

23. (New) The instrument of claim 19, wherein the control means comprises a buffer agent which is capable of adjusting a pH of the sample solution to a pH range adequate for an activity of an enzyme in the biosensor.

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P2 24. (New) The instrument of claim 19, further comprising a heater which is capable of heating the sample solution.

C1 25. (New) The instrument of claim 19, wherein the sample introducing part and the sample releasing part are at different positions, the control means is located between the sample introducing part and the sample releasing part, and the sample solution is passed through the control means and is subsequently released from the sample releasing part.

26. (New) The instrument of claim 19, wherein the instrument is adapted for use with a biosensor that measures a specific component in a sample solution by detection of an oxidation current.

27. (New) A sample solution treating instrument comprising a biosensor that electrochemically measures a specific component in a sample solution, a sample treating unit, and a sample supply unit, wherein the sample treating unit contains a substance capable of converting the sample solution to a condition for analysis with the biosensor, and the sample supply unit is made of an elastic material capable of retaining the sample solution inside the sample supply unit, but wherein the instrument is not physically coupled to the biosensor.

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